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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 July 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4,6-12,16-22,26-29 and 31-39 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4,6-12,16-22,26-29 and 31-39 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office Action is in response to communication filed 07/29/2004. Claims 1-4, 6-12, 16-22, 26-29, 31 and new claims 32-39 are pending.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-4, 6-12, 16-22, 26-29, 31 and 32-39 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 1, 3-4, 6-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chong (5,525,120) in view of Nguyen (5,797,089).

As per claim 1, Chong et al teach a method comprising (figures 1, 2 and 3):

Transmitting an image containing text into a first language over a network (his telecommunication A comprising fax modem, his printed page, his network and his interactive, col. 6, lines 6, lines 32-47); and

Receiving a translation of the text in a second language over the network (his machine translation 20, his output module 30, col.5, line 61 to col. 6, line 14).

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It is noted that Chong et al teach the claimed invention but does not explicitly teach establishing a wireless connection with a network and receiving the translation via the network. However, this feature is well known in the art as evidenced by Nguyen who teaches a personal communication terminal (PCT) that can operate as standard wireless telephone or in integrated mode for fax et the abstract and at col. 6, lines 1-15). Therefore, one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have found it to substitute the facsimile as taught Chong with the PCT as taught by Nguyen because it would provide a fax capable of transmitting and receiving wirelessly that could displayed both text and images.

As per claim 3, Chong et al teach further comprising displaying the image (col. 6, lines 32-55, his OCR- Nguyen figure 1)..

As per claim 4, Chong et al teach displaying the image and displaying the translation of the text in the second language simultaneously (col. 19, lines 15 to col. 20 lines 4)

As per claim 6, Chong et al teach wherein the first image containing first text, the method comprising

Transmitting a second image containing second text in the first language over the network ; (his telecommunication link A); and

Receiving translation of the first text and the second text in the second text over the network (his machine translation 20 and his output module 30).

As per claim 6, Chong et al teach transmitting the first image and the second image over a network in response to a single command from a user (col. 6, lines 31-55).

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As per claim 8, Chong et al teach displaying one of the translation of the first text and the translation of the second text in response to a command from a user (col. 19, lines 14-26).

As per claim 9, Chong et al teach compressing the image (col. 6, line 30-47).

As per claim 10, Chong et al teach receiving the image from an image capture device (col. 7, lines 4-20).

As per claim 11, Chong et al teach prompting a user to provide additional information comprising at least one of an account number, an identification of the first language, an identification of the second language, a dictionary and a server location (. col. 6, line 56 to col. 7, lines 3, col. 7, line 32 to col. 8, line 3)

As per claim 12, Chong et al teach one of a wireless telecommunication network, a cellular telephone network... and the Internet (figure 1).

5. Claims 1, 3-4 and 6-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yamauchi et al (5,701,497) in view of Nguyen (5,797,089)

As per claim 1, Yamauchi et al teach a method comprising (figure 1):

Transmitting an image containing text into a first language over a network (his sheet in and his scanner 1)

Receiving a translation of the text in a second language over the network (his translate 9 and bitmap exp 10).

As per claim 3, Yamauchi et al teach further comprising displaying the image(his scanner 1)

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As per claim 4, Yamauchi et al teach displaying the image and displaying the translation of the text in the second language simultaneously (his plotter 11, col. 4, lines 45-52)

As per claim 5, Yamauchi et al teach establishing a wireless connection with the network (his telecommunication apparatus, figure 1)).

As per claim 6, Yamauchi et al teach wherein the first image containing first text, the method comprising

Transmitting a second image containing second text in the first language over the network ; (his scanner 1); and

Receiving translation of the first text and the second text in the second text over the network (his translate 9, his bit map 10 and his plotter 11).

As per claim 6, Yamauchi et al teach transmitting the first image and the second image over a network in response to a single command from a user (col. 4, lines 45-52).

As per claim 8, Yamauchi et al teach displaying one of the translation of the first text and the translation of the second text in response to a command from a user (his plotter 11, col. 4, lines 36-45).

As per claim 9, Yamauchi et al teach compressing the image (his encoder 2).

As per claim 10, Yamauchi et al teach receiving the image from an image capture device (his sheet in and his scanner 1).

As per claim 11, Yamauchi et al teach prompting a user to provide additional information comprising at least one of an account number, an identification of the first language, an identification of the second language, a dictionary and a server location (col. 2, lines 47-53).

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As per claim 12, Yamauchi et al teach one of a wireless telecommunication network, a cellular telephone network... and the Internet (figure 1).

6. Claim 2 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chong et al (5,535,120) in view of Nguyen (5,797,089).

It is noted that Chong et al teach the claimed invention but does not explicitly teach capturing the first image, receiving instructions to edit the image and editing the first image to generate the second image. However, capturing an image using for instance a camera, and editing the image are well known in the art as evidenced by Nguyen who teaches at col. 5, lines 45, the PCT could be used to edit text, graphics and image and at col. 6, lines 25-34. Therefore, one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made would have found it obvious to capture and edit the image as taught by Nguyen because it would provide an image that the recognizer is able to recognize with less degree of ambiguity and therefore would improve the translation process of the image .

7. Claims 16-22 and 26-28 and 31-39 are the same in scope and content as claims 1-12 above and therefore are rejected under the same rationale.

8. Any response to this action should be mailed to:

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6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the
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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should
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December 20, 2004



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